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Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice
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Communications Portfolio
NBN Co Limited

Question No: 115

Program No. NBN Co Limited

Hansard Ref: In Writing

Topic: Staff Reductions

Senator Ludwig asked:

1. How many staff reductions/voluntary redundancies have occurred from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? What was the reason for these reductions?
2. Were any of these reductions involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.
3. Are there any plans for further staff reductions/voluntary redundancies? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut.
4. If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening.
5. Are there any plans for involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.
6. How many ongoing staff left the department/agency from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? What classification were these staff?
7. How many non-ongoing staff left Department/Agency from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? What classification were these staff?

Answer:

1. Two staff positions were made redundant from 20 November 2013 to 25 February 2014.
2. Both redundancies were involuntary. The redundancies occurred as a result of a reorganisation of a business unit.
3. There are no plans for further staff reductions / voluntary redundancies at this time.
4. There are no plans for further staff reductions / voluntary redundancies at this time.
5. An organisation review is currently being undertaken and this may result in some involuntary redundancies. There are no further details available at the time of writing.
6. 72 ongoing staff have left NBN Co from 20 November 2013 to 25 February 2014. These staff were classified as permanent employees.
7. 6 non ongoing staff have left NBN Co from 20 November 2013 to 25 February 2014. These staff were classified as maximum term employees.